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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the

application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A curable composition

which comprises an organic polymer (A) containing reactive silyl groups represented by the general formula (1) given below wherein a is 3 and an organic polymer (B) containing an average of 0.5 to 1.51.0 reactive silyl groups represented by the general formula (1) given below per molecule [[.]];

$$-Si(R^{1}_{3-a})X_{a} \tag{1}$$

[wherein R¹ represents an alkyl group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms, an aryl group containing 6 to 20 carbon atoms, an aralkyl group containing 7 to 20 carbon atoms or a triorganosiloxy group represented by (R')₃SiO- (in which the three R' groups may be the same or different and each represents a monovalent hydrocarbon group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms) and, when there are two or more R¹ groups, they may be the same or different, and X represents a hydroxyl group or a hydrolysable group and, when there are two or more X groups, they may be the same or different, and a represents 1, 2 or 3}, and

wherein the main chain of each of the organic polymers (A) and (B) is an oxyalkylene polymer, and

the molecular weight of the organic polymer (B) is lower than the molecular weight of the organic polymer (A) by not less than 3,000.

2. (original): The curable composition according to Claim 1

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wherein the reactive silyl group in the organic polymer (B) is a reactive silyl group represented by the general formula (1) in which a is 2.

- 3. (original): The curable composition according to Claim 1 wherein the reactive silyl group in the organic polymer (B) is a reactive silyl group represented by the general formula (1) in which a is 3.
- 4. (currently amended): The curable composition according to Claim 1 wherein the organic polymer (B) is a polymer obtained by reacting the above-mentioned organic polymer with a compound containing both a functional group capable of reacting with the reactive group in the above-mentioned organic polymer and a reactive silyl group represented by the general formula (1) in a compound-to-polymer mole ratio of not lower than 0.5 and not higher than 1.51.0.
 - 5. (canceled).
- 6. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 1
 wherein the organic polymer (B) contains substantially one reactive silyl group
 represented by the general formula (1) per molecule.
 - 7. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 1

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wherein the organic polymer (B) has a molecular weight of not higher than 8,000.

8. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 1

wherein the organic polymer (B) contains no urethane bond or urea bond within the

molecule.

9. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 1

wherein the organic polymer (A) contains no urethane bond or urea bond within the

molecule.

10. (canceled).

11. (currently amended): The curable composition according to Claim 2

wherein the organic polymer (B) is a polymer obtained by reacting the above-mentioned

organic polymer with a compound containing both a functional group capable of reacting with

the reactive group in the above-mentioned organic polymer and a reactive silyl group represented

by the general formula (1) in a compound-to-polymer mole ratio of not lower than 0.5 and not

higher than 1.51.0.

12. (currently amended): The curable composition according to Claim 3

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wherein the organic polymer (B) is a polymer obtained by reacting the above-mentioned organic polymer with a compound containing both a functional group capable of reacting with the reactive group in the above-mentioned organic polymer and a reactive silyl group represented by the general formula (1) in a compound-to-polymer mole ratio of not lower than 0.5 and not higher than 1.51.0.

- 13. (canceled).
- 14. (canceled).
- 15. (canceled).
- 16. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 2
 wherein the organic polymer (B) contains substantially one reactive silyl group
 represented by the general formula (1) per molecule.
- 17. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 3
 wherein the organic polymer (B) contains substantially one reactive silyl group
 represented by the general formula (1) per molecule.
 - 18. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 4

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wherein the organic polymer (B) contains substantially one reactive silyl group represented by the general formula (1) per molecule.

- 19. (canceled).
- 20. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 2 wherein the organic polymer (B) has a molecular weight of not higher than 8,000.
- 21-22. (canceled).
- 23. (previously presented): The curable composition according to Claim 1 wherein the organic polymer (B) contains an average of 0.5 to 0.9 reactive silyl groups represented by the general formula (1) per molecule.
 - 24. (new): A curable composition

which comprises an organic polymer (A) containing reactive silyl groups represented by the general formula (1) given below wherein a is 3 and a hydrocarbon compound containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms and an average of 0.5 to 1.0 reactive silyl groups represented by the general formula (1) given below per molecule

$$-Si(R_{3-a}^1)X_a \tag{1}$$

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wherein R¹ represents an alkyl group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms, an aryl group containing 6 to 20 carbon atoms, an aralkyl group containing 7 to 20 carbon atoms, or a triorganosiloxy group represented by (R')₃SiO- (in which the three R' groups may be the same or different and each represents a monovalent hydrocarbon group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms) and, when there are two or more R¹ groups, they may be the same or different, and X represents a hydroxyl group or a hydrolysable group and, when there are two or more X groups, they may be the same or different, and a represents 2 or 3.